MISSISSIPPI BOARD OF PHARMACY SEPTEMBER 2017 BOARD MEETING OVERVIEW

The Mississippi Board of Pharmacy met on September 21st to conduct business and hold disciplinary hearings. The following is a synopsis of some of the items presented or considered by the Board during their meeting:

- Delbert Hosemann, Mississippi Secretary of State, spoke to the Board about the operation of the Occupational Licensing Review Commission (OLRC) and the development of the process for licensing boards to file regulations to be reviewed by the OLRC. He also made a presentation on the wealth of information contained on the Secretary of State's website for business practices in Mississippi.
- Staff presented information on the updated Opioid Addiction Town Hall Meeting schedule. All
 information is available on the BOP website. Pharmacists are encouraged to attend a meeting
 in their area and the Board is offering CE credit to pharmacists that attend a meeting.
- The Licensure Division informed the Board that the pharmacist renewal portal was open so pharmacists can begin their license renewal. Notifications will be going out in the next couple of days.
- The Board approved proposed regulation revisions to be submitted through the Administrative Procedures process. The following regulations were amended: Regulations Cover and General Information and Article XLIII – Prescription Monitoring Program. These proposed changes will be submitted to the Occupational Licensing Review Commission and then the Secretary of State's Office pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act.
- The Board approved another pilot program for the utilization of pharmacy technicians to complete medication histories of patients in an institutional setting.
- Information was presented to the Board concerning NABP model language on veterinary compounding.
- The final report for the Governor's Opioid and Heroin Study Task Force was present to the Board.